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April 3, 2018

Veteran's Employment Committee of Imperial Valley  
1550 W Main Street  
El Centro, CA 92243

The Imperial City Council  
420 S Imperial Avenue  
Imperial, CA 92251

Subject: VETERANS APPRECIATION MONTH PROCLAMATION

Dear Mayor of Imperial and the Imperial City Council:

The VEC of Imperial Valley (IVVEC), promotes the employment of military veterans and endeavors to provide useful links to national, state and local resources. During the month of May, we take this opportunity to call on local employers, organized labor, veterans' organizations and government leaders to ensure that veterans receive the services to which they are entitled, and to promote employer interest in hiring veterans. It is in this spirit of recognition that we invite city councils to proclaim May 2018 as "Veterans Appreciation Month". The IVVEC requests that the City of Imperial place on its Agenda, a proclamation stating that May 2018 will be declared "Veteran Appreciation Month" for the City of Imperial.

In addition, you are cordially invited to attend an honorary "Veteran Employer of the Year" recognition ceremony and reception on Wednesday, May 9, 2018 from 11:30 am to 1 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Hall in Imperial. The IVVEC will be honoring the 2018 local Veteran Employers of the Year; County of Imperial, American Operations Corporation (AOC) and Lowes of El Centro.

Please join us as we take time to recognize the allegiance these employers have made towards the veterans in our community. The County of Imperial, AOC and Lowes of El Centro, have recognized that veterans are skilled, experienced and mature workers that are tremendous assets to all employers. Let us not forget to encourage other employers to hire veterans during "Veteran Appreciation Month," May 2018.

Sincerely,

Frank Pacheco

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# **PROCLAMATION**

## ***“Veterans Appreciation Month”***

***May 2018***

**WHEREAS**, the people of Imperial Valley appreciate and admire the thousands **of men and women who served in the armed forces to protect and preserve their** country and the freedoms enjoyed by all Americans; and

**WHEREAS**, in war, international conflicts and peacekeeping missions, men and women have been wounded, taken as Prisoners and died in the line of duty; and

**WHEREAS**, veterans possess a wide variety of valuable qualities, including experience, maturity, leadership and loyalty, that make them ideal candidates for employment; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Imperial is committed to ensuring that veterans receive the services and programs to which they are entitled, and to promoting employer interest in hiring veterans; and

**WHEREAS**, during Veterans Appreciation Month, state and local agencies increase employer awareness about the benefits of hiring veterans; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT BE PROCLAIMED**, that the City Council of the City of Imperial does hereby declare the month of May 2018, as “Veterans Appreciation Month.”

SIGNED this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 2018.

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Geoff Dale, Mayor